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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Communication of 01/02/2003, finally rejecting all claims except for claims 16-19.

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